

A D H K
Z X C B N M

Fire Button:
1 SPACE KEY
The operation of these keys is identical to the joystick controls. To choose between joystick and keyboard mode - press the zero while in demonstration.

DETAILS ON THE VARIOUS KICKS:

As mentioned above, all kicks are controlled by pressing the fire button, and pushing the joystick in the appropriate direction.

The following instructions assume that the character is facing right. You will find that the descriptions refer to "left" and "right". When your character faces the other way, all controls are mirrored - in other words, if you need to press right, you need to press the joystick to the left to obtain the midkick. The same applies to the punches and somersaults described in the following sections.

Eight kicks are available to you - one each for the eight positions of the joystick:

Flying kick: This is obtained by pressing the fire button and pressing the joystick up. This is an extremely powerful kick, and can be successful against a standing opponent, who is not blocking against the move. Other ways to block this kick are to crouch, or if you are fast enough to respond with a counter flying kick.

High kick: Press fire button and press joystick in the diagonal upper right direction.

Mid kick: Press fire button and press joystick right. **Short jab kick:** This is obtained by pressing the fire button and pressing the joystick in the diagonal lower right direction. The main benefit of this kick is that it is very fast to execute and can be used in closer combat.

Sweep (Forward): Press fire button and joystick down. This sweep places your character in a crouching position, then sweeps forward. This can be effective against many aggressive actions, as it combines offence with defence.

Sweep (Backward): Press fire button and press joystick in a lower left diagonal direction. This move is identical to the forward sweep, but the effect is to sweep behind you. This can therefore be used if your opponent is behind you.

Roundhouse: Press fire button and joystick left. This move is the traditional roundhouse kick of karate, but also has the advantage that it allows you to turn about face. This kick has two distinct operations: in the first instance (by keeping the fire button pressed throughout the kick) you execute the full roundhouse kick. The second mode of operation is a fast about-face. This is achieved by starting the roundhouse kick as described above, but releasing the fire button before the kick is completed.

You will find the full roundhouse kick is a time-consuming manoeuvre, it can be especially effective in many situations.

Note also that as the roundhouse kick moves you out of the direct line of your opponent's attack, some of your opponent's aggressive moves may not be effective against you while you are performing this action.

High back kick: Press fire button and press joystick in an upper left diagonal position. This move is the reverse of the

forward high kick and enables you to attack opponents that may have slipped past you.
You can of course also turn around to attack opponents that are behind you (see notes on roundhouse kick above).

PUNCHES

As well as kicks, the Way of the Exploding Fist requires devotees to be adept at close fighting, using punches. Three punches are available from joystick control. Note that the fire button should not be pressed to execute punches.

High Punch: This is obtained by pressing the joystick in the upper right diagonal direction. (Do not press the fire button.) This is effective against an opponent that is reasonably close to you.

Jab punch: This is obtained by pressing the joystick in the lower right diagonal direction. (Do not press the fire button.) This is the fastest action you can take, and is extremely effective in very close fighting. At times your opponent may use this move, and because it is such a fast jab, you may not even be aware of what hit you!

Low punch: This is obtained by going into the crouch position first, then pressing the joystick to the right. Because of the variety of moves that can be accomplished from the crouching position, the low punch can often be a surprise move.

SOMERSAULTS

Somersaults are a very fast way to move out of the reach of your opponent. These are two somersaults - one forward and one backward. Note that if you get too close to the edge of the screen in either direction, your somersaults may not be as effective.

Forward somersault: This is obtained by pressing the joystick in the upper left diagonal direction. (Do not press the fire button.)

Backward Somersault: This is obtained by pressing the joystick in the lower left diagonal direction. (Do not press the fire button.)

ADVANCED PLAYERS' TIPS

Blocks: Note that blocks are not the perfect answer to aggressive moves from your opponent. There are two blocks the computer can choose from, a high block and a low block, depending on the action that is being taken by your opponent.

Holding the joystick in block mode means that you will be holding the block, and it is possible for your opponent to start a different aggressive move that is not countered by your current block.

Note also that the two low sweeps cannot be blocked. If you are within striking range of the sweeps, the only appropriate actions are a jump (joystick up) or one of the somersaults.

Crouch: The crouch is a move that can be "held" by keeping the joystick held down. This allows you to execute either a low punch, or the two sweep actions. If one of the two sweeps is selected from a crouching position, the time taken

PAD An on-screen note pad. Allows you to make notes of progress etc.
NEW PAD Selects a fresh page in the note pad
SAVE Saves game to tape
LOAD Loads a game from tape
KEYS Allows you to totally redefine the single key commands in flight mode

QUIT Abandons a game
SCORE Gives a rating of your progress so far
PAUSE Freezes the game (fire restarts)

SIGHTS ON Starts the game type LAUNCH (and press ENTER)

Your skimmer will leave the safety of the lander and venture on the surface of the planet.

Exploration of the planet is carried out in FLIGHT MODE. When first loaded the following keys are used (but you may redefine any or all of these for your own preference/Kempston or cursor joysticks etc.)

Amstrad Spectrum Commodore

Left O O Z
Right P P X
Increase thrust S S :
Decrease thrust X X /

Fire laser SPACE N Space
Fire missiles M M M
Fire flare F F F
Fire AMM A A A

Change view V V

Scanner S

Status report R R R

Infra red/on I I I

Increase height H H :

Decrease height G G .

Jump (if near jump pad) J J J

Land L L L

Pause (Fire restarts) COMMODORE -

Pause BREAK (Fire restarts) SPECTRUM

Pause ESCAPE (Fire restarts) AMSTRAD

A MESSAGE FROM GAL-CORP CENTRAL TAU CETI III

GENERAL INFORMATION

The planets day

Tau Ceti III has a very short day, approximately equal to one Earth hour. The Cetans call this period a 'SPIN' and group 16 spins to a 'DAY'. As the planet has no moon you will need to use the Infra-red equipment to see anything after sunset.

Docking on the planet.

Many of the buildings on the planet's surface are equipped with DFP's latest model energy screened airlock, recognizable by the characteristic flickering patter, and your craft will allow you to dock with these buildings if you wait for the airlock to open to full aperture and fly in SLOWLY!

Wait 5 Earth minutes (about 1/12 of a Cetan "spin")

Gives a damage and progress report (also available in flight)

Allows access to a building repair, refuelling and rearming facilities (if any)

Use at the start of the game to give the computer a pilot's name

for this action is greatly reduced, and the move is therefore much more effective.

DAN DARE

Dan was appearing on *This Is Your Life*, all his friends were there to speak glowingly of his achievements, but as he moved forward to speak, the screen went blank and then saw slowly the evil green face of the Mekon appear. An asteroid was heading for the earth, either the powers that be gave in, and announced him as commander of the Universe, or the Earth was destroyed.

On landing, they decide to split up into two groups, Professor Peabody and Digby went one way, Dan and Stripey, Digby's pet alien, the other. After only a couple of minutes Dan heard a scream, he turned just in time to see a group of Treens carrying off Digby and the Professor. There was no time to lose, they only had an hour, and now he had to rescue his friends as well as stopping the Mekon's foul plan.

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CONTROLS (COMMODORE 64)

Joystick in Port 2 only.

Without the fire button pressed the joystick moves Dan in the normal way. With the joystick pressed the functions selected depend on the type of caption on the screen.

No Caption

Back/Up Throw grenade upwards

Backward Throw grenade horizontally

Back/Down Throw grenade downwards

Grenades are used to stun Treens and destroy the Mekon's dome. They can only be used above ground or in the Mekon's room.

Red Caption - A Treen is nearby

Up Move guard up

Forward Punch, up or down depending on the position of Dan's guard.

Down Move guard down

(SPECTRUM)

Press 1 to select controls from the following options.

Q

O — P

A

B,N,M, SYMBOL SHIFT or SPACE to fire.

2, Cursor keys 5,6,7,8 and 0 to fire or cursor joystick.

3, Kempston Joystick

Press fire to start game.

The controls are:-

Up/Jump

Left — Right

Decelerate

Fire button - change gear. Press and move Joystick forwards or backwards to change up or down.

Joystick controlled menu options for selection of tracks.

CONTROLS (Spectrum)

1: Keys:

the pads are of the old non-programmable 'Super Traveller' type and each pad is mapped to a single destination. Luckily your ship's computer has a complete map of the jump network, to jump from one city to the next simply find the correct jump-pad (they are found at the NORTH, SOUTH, EAST and WEST ends of the city) and press J.

Gal-corp recommends caution on exit from a jump as reports indicate that small 'sand hoppers', a native life-form, tend to cluster around the feeder pipes of jump pads and lives have been lost in the past due to collisions.

Defence estimates.

It is known that many of the cities will be defended by late-model robot hunters marks I, II and III, sophisticated and well armed hunter-killers and reports indicate that land-based guardian crawlers and heavily armoured fortresses may be found in larger cities. Radar scans also detect the presence of proximity mines. An identification chart for known robot defences is given at the end of this report...

When you start the game a **POWER DISC** will instantly appear on the screen. Pick this up for **TURBO BOOST**. Now progress upwards through the first zone. If you let your bubble gun fire for too long then it will overheat and you will have to wait for it to cool down. Every time you die, you will lose a piece of weaponry. As you progress through the levels some **FAULTY DISCS** will start to appear. These discs make movement even harder. Finally, on the twenty-seventh **POWER DISC**, you will get the ultimate weapon - **PICK IT UP FOR RAINBOW RIPPLE LASER**.

PLAYING THE GAME (SPECTRUM)

Use the following keys to play the game:-

Z = Left X = Right O = Up K = Down SPACE = Fire

These keys may only be used if you have collected the relevant piece of weaponry:-

Space = Smart Missile M = Molecule Bomb

Alternatively, use Kempston, Cursor or Interface II Joysticks.

MAIN CENTRAL REACTOR REACTOR SUBSTATION

SUPPLY CENTRE (CIVILIAN) SUPPLY CENTRE (MILITARY)

FORTRESS CONTROL TOWER

HUNTER MK I HUNTER MK II

HUNTER MK III JUMP PAD COMPLEX

FINALLY A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRWOMAN...

Please try to avoid wanton destruction of unarmed buildings. Gal-corp central do want to COLONISE this world after you've finished with it and each undamaged dwelling will save millions on next years budget!!

GOOD LUCK

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Message ends.

I - BALL

THE GAME

There is trouble down at Papatoetoe Park, the old keeper Percy Nutting had a nervous breakdown and the place has gone to the dogs!

You are invited to take up the challenge of becoming the new man or woman (that's up to you) in charge of the park. As park Ranger you will be equipped with a rattle, snake repellent, and a few morsels of nourishment. Your task is to clear the litter up, watch for swimmers in distress and keep the park wildlife in line. Papatoetoe Park though, is no place for whimpers and is full of hazards such as swamps, snakes and swimmers who will sink your raft, river logs and food stealing ants!.

Lastly, rangers may savour the fruit of a mysterious plant, located near the supply hut, and experience its strange effects.

A = ROTATE SHIP ANTICLOCKWISE RETURN = FIRE

S = ROTATE SHIP CLOCKWISE SHIFT = THRUST

To keep your calories up and move on out!

(AMSTRAD)

Joystick only

Up/Jump

Left — Right

Down/Duck

Fire shoots laser

P pause game.

GAMEPLAY

You take the role of Dan. First you must find your way into the asteroid, there are three entrances, and you will need to find all three in order to rescue your friends and destroy the Mekon. Inside the asteroid there is a maze of ladders and gantries, somewhere in here your friends are held in cells, also down here there is a laser gun. Before you fire this, you need to find and position the reflectors, so that it destroys all three of the computers. This opens up the door of the Mekon's room, about 4 1/2" in diameter and 1" deep, hold it at the top and position it at the centre of the top row of keys so that it raises the angle of elevation and release to fire the bolt.

6. 100 metres.

7. Football

In this event you have to dribble a ball around four cones and then try to score a goal. You have three goes at this, but only have 2 minutes in which to do it.

To increase speed push the joystick forward or press the (Q) key.

To decrease speed push the joystick backwards or press the (A) key.

To rotate in an anticlockwise or clockwise direction, move the joystick left or right or press the (Z) or () key.

8. Cycling

To change gear use the fire button or space key.

(COMMODORE 64)

Joystick in Port 1. Fire button to start. Fire button to change gear.

Or Keys:

Decelerate

2 - Right

CTRL - Left

SPACE - Charge gear.

(COMMODORE 64)

Joystick in Port 2. Fire button to start. Fire button to change gear.

Or Keys:

Accelerate

Up —